

# Calcium & Gene Hypertension

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Dear Dr. McAllister:

The enclosed brochure announces the 3rd International Symposium on Calcium and Gene Hypertension planned for July 10-14, 1991 in Portland, Oregon, USA. This letter is to request financial support from your company for the symposium.

The meeting will be held as the third in a series of international symposia on essential hypertension. The previous two meetings were held in Nagoya, Japan in 1985 and 1988. This meeting, scheduled for the 3 days preceding the 4th FASEB Smooth Muscle Conference (July 14-19 in Denver, Colorado, USA), will have strong representation from Japan and the United States, as well as from countries all around the world.

ISCGH will provide for discussion of the hypotheses related to ions and hypertension. This will be the perfect place for pointing out important unanswered questions, and for focusing on essential experiments for achieving the next quantum leap in understanding the role of ions in regulating blood pressure. The ISCGH meeting will have the potential for generating new definitions of hypertension based on understanding of underlying mechanisms.

We plan to publish the proceedings of the meeting rapidly, and are preparing a proposal to the journal Hypertension that may result in an issue targeted for publication by the end of 1991. This publication will result in a wide impact of the meeting, and is likely to act as a stimulus for many additional experiments.

The meeting is the subject of grant applications to the NIH, to NSF, and to several other funding sources. It will have contributions from a number of private and industrial sources, which will be properly acknowledged. We expect to have a total of 60 speakers and up to 500 participants, the majority of whom will submit poster presentations. Discussion of the posters will be given reserved space during the entire meeting.

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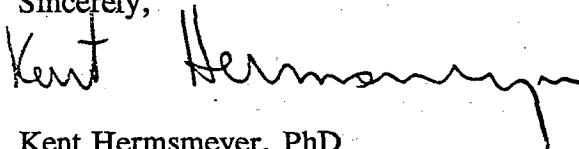
The ISCGH meeting is the only conference devoted to this topic. Recent progress in the field includes new concepts developed as the clinical relevance of basic work on calcium, calcium regulatory hormones, and drugs acting on calcium channels has been demonstrated.

The conference will be announced by major journals, including Hypertension, American Journal of Hypertension, FASEB Journal, Circulation, and Circulation Research, and by a series of mailings. We place importance on involving young people, as well as established experts, for the exchange of information and fresh ideas.

Funds for travel to meetings are limited at the present time for everyone, but especially for junior investigators. We are arranging low cost airline fares for all and accommodations at Portland State University for student participants. Your support will be necessary to make the Symposium possible.

If you would like more details about the meeting, please call, or send a computer message, to the addresses indicated on the brochure. We and the other conferees will greatly appreciate any financial help you can give.

Sincerely,



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